WASHINGTON, SATURDAY, AUGUST 11, 1900.

THE CAMPAIGN IN CHINA

Preparations Being Made for Extensive Operations.

Expected That the Allied Troops for Twelve Thousand Men for That Expected to Take Command in Movements Subsequent to the Ex- expedition left Tlentsin it was compo Troops of the United States-Thought That Relief Force Will Reach the Capital in Ten Days.

mean that he will command the Pekin rea more extensive campaign than the sending of a relief expedition for the purpose ing of a relief expedition for the purpose of escorting the Ministers from Pekin is thought of is not denied by War DepartSecretary Root is taking active measment officials.

It is fully expected that the allied troops will be engaged in China for six months to come. All the staff departments of the American Army are preparing for a campaign of that length. Provisions for an army of 12,000 men for six months are being purchased by the Commissary Department: clothing and field equipment partment: clothing and field equipment is found to be sent to Nagasaki. The purpose of sending the men to Nagasaki promptly is to avoid congestion in the hospitals at Taku and in the field, and in for the same number of troops are being provided, and every provision is being made for the wintering of troops on Chi
who will need it at the front.

While preparing for such operations VON WALDERSEE TO COMMAND. should they be necessary, this country has other than that for the rescue of the foreiguers in Pekin, the protection of American citizens, and the restoration of order in the Chinese Empire. That other opera-tions are contemplated, however, is indi-cated by the tone of the reply made by this Government to Germany in announcing that Field Marshal von Waldersee is engage in China. It is understood, howof the allied troops.

operations in which the American troops operation. might participate. This does not mean that Count Waldersee is to exercise any authority over the American troops except in the conduct of military operations, He will have nothing to do with the discipline of the American troops, and in both camp and field they will be under the immediate command of the American officers.

America Not Bound. It is pointed out also that while we in any other operations than the relief expedition to Pekin, and it expressly avoids any understanding which would compel cooperation with the other powers except for Landing of the Soldiers of Any Other the purposes outlined in the President's meseage. It is believed, however, that it will take some time to bring about a complete restoration of order, and in that event the American troops will be quartered in China fer some months to come.

Plans for future operations are put aside until the rescue of the foreigners shall be Britain. accomplished. When this is done the forline of action for the protection of the foreigners and the restoration of peace, tween the Viceroy and Admiral Seymour. By that time Field Marshal von Waldersee will have reached the front, and if avreeable to the other powers will take command of the allied forces. If war with China develops as a result of the efforts to restore peace he will be in command of the forces for the conduct of operations. but in the special movement on Pekin he is not expected to take any part, unless this movement should be delayed beyond

the expectations of the different countries. It is certainly not thought by War Department officials here that the rescuing expedition will be more than ten days longer in reaching Pekin and probably entering the city. Much depends, though, upon what is in front of the column. Army officers are not oversanguine as to the movement from Yangtsung. They be carefully studied the map issued by War Department and have gathered all the information they can as to the condi-

tion of the country The Route From Yangisung.

There is much difference of epinion as to which coute should be taken from Yangtsung. It seems to be a question of railroad or water. The main road to Pekin runs along the line of the Pei-Ho, and at | missionaries have been spared. Yangtsung a double-tracked railroad diverges to the west and extends in almost a direct course to the city. The main highway goes directly to Thung, a large city to the east of Pekin, and better known as

city are stored.

The advantages of the river route are said to be that the siege guns and other artillery can be easily transported on scows to the walls of the city of Pekin, They could, if necessary be landed for the bombardment of Thung, whereas, if they were sent up the railroad to Pekin, and the short of the campaign. The Chinese, if they were sent up the railroad to Pekin, and the short of the campaign. The Chinese, the said "care potting for life. But those said that if war was declared on the Chinese of the said that if war was declared on the Chinese of the said that if war was declared on the Chinese of the said that if war was declared on the Chinese of the said that if war was declared on the Chinese of the said that if war was declared on the Chinese of the said that if war was declared on the Chinese by the civilized manner. it should be necessary to occupy Thung, it would be almost impossible to take them across the country from the railroad terminus to Thung. The advantages of the railroad route are that it presents facilities for the rapid transportation of food and other supplies from Yangtsung.

It is apparent to the military experis that Yangtsung is to be made a base of opera-tions on Pekin. To hold it will require a arrison of some size and more troops will he required to keep open the line of com-munitation from there to Tientsin. It is to be a point of mobilization for the re-en-forcements coming to the front from Tie: tein, and its value as a base of supplies is appreciated, because it is at the point of the river and railroad diverge. bolding Yangusung the main body of troops could push on to Thung along the

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breezes blow at Chesapeake Beach.

A Sweltering Day in August. Down-to-Date-Lumber Prices-at

the Friendly Corner, 6th and N. Y. ave. Com-

line of the river, leaving the re-enforcements to mobilize at Yangtsung and advance along the line of the railroad. In this way two columns would move on Pakin and be able to attack the city from both the east and west without dimin sli-ing the strength of the present column. The importance, however, of having the column going by the river route of cient size to meet a large force of the every is thought to be fully recognized by the foreign commanders, and it is not improbable that they will reorganize their

Will Be Engaged for Six Months forces before leaving Yangtsung.
It is not believed, though, that they will wait long before advancing. Several thougand troops have landed at Taku since th Length of Time-Von Waldersee

Expected to Take Command in laung to join the main body. When the pedition Against Pekin-Not to Ex-ercise Direct Authority Over the and killed, this force has been reduced to not more than 11,600 to 12,000 effectives. It would be necessary to leave fully 2,000 troops at Yangtsung, so that not more than 10,000 of the original column would

Preparations for a most extensive compaign in China are being made by all the foreign powers. The selection of Field Marshal von Waldersee to command the ailled forces, it is understood, does not mean that he will command the Pekin remean that he will command the Pekin relife expedition, but that he will command this time, and will be in excellent shape in the event of future operations. That for active service. Other troops have undoubtedly pushed out from Tientsin, and it is probable that re-enforce

ures to ensure proper treatment of the sick and wounded of the American forces. He cabled Major Hyde resterday at Naga-

not committed itself to any movement His Leadership Accepted by th United States.

The official announcement was made yes. terday by the Secretary of War that the tion in which the American troops might military movements, and is not to have The reply says that he is acceptable to any control over the American troops bethe United States as commander in any youd their participation in some specific

TO SAIL FROM GENOA. Von Waldersee Expected to Reach China by September 22.

LONDON, Aug. 11.-The "Standard's" Count von Waldersee will not travel to China by way of the United States, but will go on the warship Sachsen, which will agree to him as commander, the United sail from either Genoa or Naples on Au-States does not bind itself to participate gust 21 and arrive at Shanghai on or about September 22.

BRITISH TROOPS AT SHANGHAL

Nation Opposed. The Navy Department, It is understood, has been informed officially that the British Government will land 3,000 troops at Shanghai, and that the Shanghai newspapers deprecated the landing of armed ecs by any nation other than Great

The Department is informed that other eign commanders will then decide upon a troops are not needed. There is reason to believe that the decision of the British Government was due to a conferen

ASSUMED TO BE WELL.

No Specific News Regarding the Health of Baroness Ton Ketteler. At the instance of relatives of Baroness

von Ketteler the State Department recentcabled to the Embassy in Berlin enquiring whether any news of her condition had reached the German Government. The Charge d'Affaires, Mr. Jackson, ca bled yesterday that no special tidings had been received regarding Baroness Kettebut that it is assumed that she was well on August 4, as the health of the members of the German Legation at Pe

FAULT OF THE EMPRESS.

Massacre of Christians in China Charged to an Imperial Decree,

PHILADELPHIA, Aug. 10.-Mrs. Llewellyn Davis, one of the band of American onaries who fived in the province of Tel-Nau-Fu at the time the Boxers be gan their atrocities, left China soon after the first attack on the Christians, and is now home in Darny, this city. She said today that she did not believe any of the

"The butchery of the missionaries and Christian Chinese is not the result of the insurrection," she said; "it is due to an imperial decree. Tsi-Nau-Fu, the Ggyway goes directly to Thung, a large city to the east of Pekin, and better known as East Pekin. From there it extends west-ward to Pekin proper. Thung is a walled city of some size and it is there that much of the rice and other provisions for the city are stored.

The advantages of the river route are He is one of the most picturesque China-

cides among Chinamen to escape the hard-ships of the campaign. "The Chinese," she said, "care nothing for life. But those who do enlist will fight until they win or die. They are not cowards, and they have no pity. Much of their cruelty, I believe, is due to their own insensibility to pain. In the Chinese hospitals they endure the most excruciating agony without a word

Americans are most appreciated by the Chinese, and the English next. The Germans are hated because of their alleged cruel and overbearing manner. Not long ago a Chinese boy let fail a barrel which he had been carrying, in front of the horse of a German soldier. The soldier, enraged, struck him a blow on the head with a club that killed him, and then calmiy rode away. He was arrested, but diplomacy succoeded in saving him from any punish-ment for the murder. It is almost a proverb in China that foreigners may do as they please and go free."

The Bay Shore Limited at 5 p. n \$3.50 Special Saturday Trip, \$3.50

To "Old Point," Norfolk, Vinginia Beach, and Ocsan View, via Norfolk and Washington steamer, Saturday, 6:20 p. m. Round trip tickets to Fort Manioe and Norfolk, good to return Sunday night, \$2.50. For stateroom phone 750. Schedule page 7. Going to build! Get new Lumber prices first of F. Libbey & Co.; some flooring \$1.65.

Vast Army Concentrating Against the Yellow Empire.

Russin Making Colossal Prepara tions to Battle for the Supremacy in Eastern Asia-Estimate of the Total of Allies at Tientsin Places the Number at 38,000-Expected That Foreign Force in China Will He Increased to 230,000 by the End of Sentember-Further Details of the Occupation of Yangtsung Says the American and British Troops Took the Lead-Thinese

LONDON, Aug. 11 .- There is little additional news direct from China, the fullest items concerning the situation coming

Afraid of the Lyddite Shells.

from Washington. Despatches from Russia indicate that that country is not desirous of an independent struggle yet, but will do much to preserve her own territory from violation. She is, however, evidently making colossal preparations to shortly and finally settle the question of supremacy in eastern

The Berlin correspondent of the "Standard" sends an estimate of the total force at Tientsin, which he places at 38,000, with 114 guns. This number will be increased by the middle of August by 2,500 Germans with 6 guns, 2,080 French with 12 guns and 6,000 Jananese with 30 guns.

During September there will be an increase in Pe-chi-li of 11,300 Germans, with 34 guns, 10,000 French, with 20 gras; \$5.500 Russiane, with 24 guns, and 1,460 British sailors and marines, with heavy guns, from England, Australia, and Cape Colony.

Assuming that there are now 2,000 Amercans with 24 guns, as reported, on route from San Francisco, there will be in Pechi-li by the end of September 78,000 troops with 280 guns. At the same date Russia will have 142,000 men and 242 guns in Man-Wria and Siberia. Thus there will be over 220,000 men and over 500 guns against China, plus 70 large warships and 12 torpedo boats in the Gulf of Pe-chi-li, 21 warships and 1 torpedo boat on the Yangts: agreeable to this country as commander ever, that he is to command only in the Lang, 18 ships and 2 torpedo boats at Canton, and 2 German ships at Teingtan,

A despatch to the "Daily Mail," dated Chefoo, August 10, describes the battle of Vangtsun. It says that the Americans and British led the attack. The Chinese position consisted of seven lines of entrenchments, 200 yards apart. Thur refleing, until they were driven from the last, when they fled in the direction of Berlin correspondent says that General Pekin in a completely demoralized con-

> The Yangtsun positions were of great a'ural strength and were splendidly forti-

The British had 200 killed and wounded

and the Americans 250. Chinese prizoners say that their army retreated because the British poured poison on them, referring to the lyddite shells, which were missiles they had never had any experience with,

SLAV AGAINST MONGOL Russin to Crush China With an Overwhelming Army.

LONDON, Aug. 11 .- A despatch to th alone connected with the Pekin situation.

Russia, it is said, is concentrating 400,000 men in the Far East for the purpose of inflicting a series of staggering blows on the Chinese. She will not commence the real offensive until success is certain. She realizes that the future security of her eastern boundaries depends upon her inflicting such chastisement as will deter the Chinese for generations from violating sian territory. Therefore the Slav fiat has gone forth

that the Mongol must be overwhelmed and crushed beyond resurrection.

PRINCE JAIME VOLUNTEERS. Don Carlos' Son to Sail for Port Arthur Next Week.

ODESSA, Aug. 10.-The report that Prince Jaime, son of Don Carlos, the pretender to the Spanish throne, had started for China is erroneous. He has, however, volunteered for service there and will probably start for Port Arthur next week He is a cornet in the Grodno Dragoon

THE MESSAGES SIMILAR.

Macdonald's Despatch Much the

Same as M. Pichon's. LONDON, Aug. 10 .- The Foreign Office does not make public the contents of the despatch sent by Sir Claude Macdonald from Pekin under date of August 4, merely stating that the message is much to the same effect as the one from M. Pichon, the French Minister, which was published

Japanese Loss at Peitsang. YOKOHAMA, Aug. 10.—Official des-patches show that the Japanese losses at the battle of Pelisang were 200 killed and

Transportation for Russian Troops COPENHAGEN, Aug. 10.—Russia has contracted with the Danish East Asian Pampany for the transportation of 10,500 the coroner. The stomat, of the dead man was secured and the investigation post-Company for the transportation of 10,500 troops to China

French Trops Sail for China. TOULON, Aug. 10.-The transport Ar-our has sailed for China with 500 troops and military stores. Russia Charters the Sicilian.

LONDON, Aug. 10.—Russia has char-tered the Allan Line steamer Sicilian to carry troops to the Far East. Germany Looking for Transports.

BERLIN, Aug. 10.—The admiralty is ne-gotiating with the North German Lloyds and the Hamburg-American Steamship Company for eight more transports. B. & O. Week-End Country Er. cursions.

Tickets sold Saturdays and Sondays, for return until Monday following, at reduced rates from Washington to Charlestown, Frederick, Annapolip Junction, and intermediate points.

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RUSSIAN ARMS TRIUMPH.

General Alexieff Reports on Opera tions Against Chinese.

ST. PETERSBURG, Aug. 10 .- Major Genral Alexieff reports the capture of Niuchwang by the Russians. General Grode koff reports the capture of Kharbin. General Alexicif further reports that the

Russians captured, on August 4, a mining boat and a vessel named Otwashnje. They bombarded the town of Gremjaschstsy and the fort. The inhabitants are being dis armed and a Russian administration intro-General Grodekoff reports that General

Renn-nkampf, on August 7, overtook and defeated the enemy, who field from Aigun on August 4. The battle continued up to nist. The Chinese in the evening attacked and tried to turn both Russian flanks, but they were repelled with great loss by rise are and repeated charges by the Cossacks. The Chinese numbered 3,000 infantry and 400 cavalry. They had twelve guns, two of which were captured. Owing to the mountainous character of the country the Cossacks were mostly compelled to fight n foot. General Renneukampf was re enforced, but the final result of the battle is not given,

It is reported that 12,000 Chinese from Huan and Hupei are marching toward Pekin and Tientsin. Colonel Pglug reports from Port Arthur

under date of August k, that General Fleischer, marching by way of Inkau; Colonel Chorunshenkoff, marching from the east, and Colonel Dombrowsky, from the north, moved simultaneously on the Chinese force at Haichan,

Colonel Dombrowsky sent Cossacks to out off the retreat. The Chinese fled eastwardly, abandoning twelve obsolete guns some rifles, and a quantity of ammunition. The Hussians pursued them for thirty-five versts, when they became too wearied to proceed farther. The Russian losses wer

JAPAN NEEDS THE DOCK.

The Oregon to Be Only Temporarily Repaired at Kure.

request of the Japanese Government the Navy Department has directed Capt. G. F. F. Wilde, of the battleship Oregon, to remove his vessel from the Japanese dock at Kure as soon as her injuries have been repaired sufficiently to enable her to remain in active service temporarily. When the Oregon reached Kure Captain Wilde recommended to the

Kure Captain Wilde recommended to the Navy Department that sive be repaired temporarily and proceed to Taku. Secretary Long approved this.

Later Admiral Remey telegraphed a recommendation that the Oregon's injuries be completely and permaneroly repaired at Kure, and as he was the senior officer in Asiatic waters, his recommendation was followed. The Japanese Government has now informed this Government that it cannot spare the dock long enough to permit permanent repairs to the Oregon, and orders to take the vessel out of dock when orders to take the vessel out of dock when temporarily patched up were issued by the Department. The Oregon may go to Taku, but it is probable that she will be ordered to Puget Sound for permanent repairs.

thed from one line to the other, constantly PROBABLE MURDER MYSTERY. Three Strange Deaths in One Family

Arouse Suspicion. CHICAGO, Aug 16.-While seated on the porch of his house, 455 Champlain Avenue, Thursday evening Edward P. Herrick fell suddenly from his chair and was dead before assistance reached him, A bottle of nux vomica and two packages A bottle of mux vomica and two packages of tablets, found in Mr. Herrick's room, form the centre about which there is great mystery. The sudden death of three members of the family, that of Mr. Herrick being the last, and the serious illness of another, is cause for a suggestion made tonight that an investigation may reveal a

case of wholesale poisoning. In March, 189', Mrs. Magdalen Symbur r was engaged as a servant in the family through an adjertisement which she in erted in a newspaper asking for a position. dr. Herrick, who was senior partner in the commission firm of E. P. Herrick & Co., "Graphic" from Moscow describes the growth of the war fever against China On August 2, 1899, his wife died, and the growth classes, the feeling not being physicians who attended ber were at a loss

to account for her death. denly III and died August II. Again the physicians were puzzled to name the exact disease from which she died. The next month Mrs. Edward T. Herrick, wife of the son of the dead man, was faken slarmingly. two cases which resulted fatally in the same house shook his head and looked de-

The sick woman was taken to a hos-They told me at the hospital," said Mrs. E. T. Herrick to Dr. Springer, the coroner's physician, yesterday, "that my case of illness was very mysterious, and asked me where I lived, and with whom, I

when young Mrs. Herrick was taken to the hospital Mrs. Symburner left the house where she was employed. It had been noticed, it is said, that Mr. Herrick was deeply infatuated with his servant, and all the efforts of the children were directed toward the brenking of their relations. Mr. Herrick was a man sixty-three years old and Mrs. Symburner shout their. The and Mrs. Symburner about thirty. The tions cease immediately was fransmitted marriage of master and maid was cele-by telegraph to the American Ambassamarriage of master and maid was cele-brated last February, scarcely six months after the death of the first Mrs. Herrick. At the inquest today the widow was calm

lescribed her husband's action on Thu sday night with exactitude. The facts about Mr. Herrick's Jeath, as revealed yesterday When he fell from his c' air his wife was summoved from the neighbor's where she had been calling. She summoved Dr. J. F. Orr, the family physician, of 4425 Champlain Avenue, who declare i that death had been caused by heart discase superinduc d by heat. He was about to issue a certificate, when Edward Herrick, a son, who

poned until the examination of that organ poned until the examination of that organ has been completed.

"I cannot say conclusively," said Dr. Springer, tonight, when seen by a reporter, "but there is every probability that Mr. Herrick's death was caused by poison. The condition of the organs of the body, as shown by the autonax made it appraemt to

shown by the autopsy, made it apparent to me that some deadly drug like strychnine was the cause of death."

The police and coroner are now trying to olve the mystery surrounding the fatalities of the Herrick family.

An apparent absence of any motive makes the police skeptical of the theories advanced by the children of the dead man, and they believe death was caused by Mr. unintentionally taking an over-

Flynn's Business College, 8th and K. Dusiness, Shorthand, Typewriting-\$25 a year. T. A. Wickersham, General Agent Land Department, Chesapeake Heach Railway; of-fice at Hathfiouse, on boardwalk; no red capa-Highest grades of good Flooring in town kept by F. Libbey & Co., and sound No. 2 flooring, \$1.90.

CHINA'S GUILTY SCHEME

Minister Conger's Refusal to Leave Pekin Commended.

A Despatch in Cipher Sent to Him Last Night Telling Him of the Advance of the Army of Relief-Indignation at Oriental Duplicity-Japan Endorses American Course.

Beyond sending a cipher message to Minister Conger the Government took no action yesterday affecting the diplomatic aspects of the Chinese question. The message was based on another despatch from Mr. Conger, transmitted in cipher through Chinese official sources. It was laid be-

"Secretary of State, Washington:
"The Tsung-ii-Yamen states to the
diplomatic body that the various foreign Governments have repeatedly
asked, through the respective Chinese
Ministers, that we immediately depart
from Politz under anticable second. The from Pekin under suitable escort. The Yamen asks us to fix a date for our departure, and to make the necessary arrangements to do so. Our reply is that we will seek instructions from our Governments, and that in the absence of such instructions we cannot quit

"I must inform you that in order to "I must inform you that in order to ensure our safe departure, foreign troops only can safely escort us, and they must be in sufficient force to safely guard 856 foreigners, including 200 women and children, as well as 2,000 native Christians, who cannot be abandou... It certain massacre. We cannot accept a Chinese escort under

"All my colleagues are despatching the foregoing to their respective Gov-Of the American marines seven have

been killed and sixteen wounded, among the latter, Captain Myers and Dr. Lippett, who are getting along well. CONGER."

This message is identical except in refrence to the American killed and wounded, with the telegrams received by other foreign Governments from their Ministers in Pekin. It was evidently prepared in accordance with an agreement among the diplomats that an identical communication should be transmitted to their respective Governments. Its most important feature is the exposure of the seeming attempt of the Chinese Government to secure by a trick the consent of the Ministers to leave Pekin under Chinese es-

There was no warrant for the Tsupg-li-Yamen to inform Minister Conger that his Pekin under sultable escort." Such a statement was false so far as it applied to the United States, and it is believed here the cone of the other powers had represent as through the Chinese represent as capital "that the Ministers Immediately depart" from that ty.

Pekin under sultable escort." Such a fortune of war has placed within their lands. * * * "We therefore respectfully request immediate callon on the part of our Government in the matter, and that the attention of the Tovernment of Great Britain be at once and emphatically directed to the following of the law complained of and the color of the following of the law complained of and the color of the following of the law complained of and the color of the following of the law complained of and the color of the following of the law complained of and the color of the following of the law complained of and the color of the following of the Government had "repeatedly asked" that

from that ty.

Considerable indignation is felt over what appears to be a Chinese lie, that if believed gens so ross outraged as such by the Ministers might have resulted in of law has voiced their capture." the massacre of themselves and the s thousand other foreigners and native Chria-tians who afe with them in Pekin. After a careful consideration of the matter, the officials decided, probably with the dent's concurrence, that it would be better to ignore the attempt at deception for the time being and perhaps let it pass altoremains to be seen, but it is probable that as the telegrams from the Ministers on he subject were identical, representations to imperial authorities were called to their seeming attempt at deception, they would seeming attempt at deception, they would answer that in informing the Ministers that the powers desired them to leave P kin they were merely attempting to comply with the President's practical demand that measures be taken for the liberation of the foreigners and putting them in a place of

anfets sked me where I lived, and with whom, I The contents of the cipher despatch seat old them. 'Don't go back there,' said the to Minister Conger was not disclosed. It doctor. 'Don't associate with those people any more. You and your husband had better take another house and live away from the rest of the family.'"

When young Mrs. Herrick was taken to

dors in Europe and the American Minister at Tokyo. The first response was received today. It came from the Japanese Government through Mr. Takhira, its and collected, and did not seem to be at all Government through Mr. Takhira, its worried at the presence of death. She gave her testimony in a cool tone of voice, and rence with the sentiments expressed by ie United States. YEAR FOR CENSUS OFFICIALS.

Alaskan Supervisors Thought t Have Been Drowned. Fear is expressed at the Cenary Bureau

that the two census supervisors for Alaska, Charles M. Robinson and W. G. Paine-Coffin, have been drowned, and that all the records in their possession are lost. They left Rampart City, Alaska, June 9. for St. Michaels by boat, on the Yukon River, and have not been heard from since. If it should prove true that they have been lost a new census of Alaska would have to

TRANSPORT FOR CHAFFEE. orders Issued for Teams to Be Sent from Manila.

Orders have been issued for additional eams to be sent from Manila to China to crease the available transportation nec essary for the movement of General Chafarmy. These teams can be procure h sooner from Manila than from th country.

The Hottest Day in August.

It's always cool at Chesapeake Beacl \$2.00 To Cumberland and Return. \$2.50 To Luray and Return. ter including admission to Caverns. O station, 8 a. n., Sunday, Aug ong at Metropolitan Branch Stati

Stopping at Metropolitan Branch Stations on route. Re urning, leave Luray and Cumberland at 6 p. m., a me day. Cargo lots of North Carolina Boards Some boards only \$1.15 at 6th and N. Y. ave. nw

DE WET BETWEEN TWO FIRES.

Kitchener and Methuen Bombarding

Him From North and South. PRETORIA, Aug. 10.-Part of the railny south of Vereeniging was destroyed by the Boers last night. A number of pas-sengers have been brought here on ar armored train.

There is a scarcity of coal in Johannes burg, owing to the fact that Springs, the source of the supply, has been cut off by neral Hamilton has relieved Rusten

burg, the Boers who were besieging the place making only a feeble resistance. They fled to the west.

Generals Kitchener and Mothuen are bombarding De Wet's position from the

north and south. SCANT NEWS FROM AFRICA.

Announcement That De Wet's Marel Is Arrested. LONDON, Aug. 11 .- The only fresh in-

formation concerning the military opera-

Chinese official sources. It was laid before the State Department yesterday morning by Minister Wu Ting-fang, the Chinese Minister, who had received it Thursday night in a telegram from his Government, and was given to the press by Alvey A. Adee, the Acting Secretary of State.

Mr. Conger's despatch follows:

"Secretary of State, Washington:
"The Tsung-ii-Yamen states to the diplomatic body that the various foreign Governments have repeatedly asked, through the respective Chinese Ministers, that we immediately depart

RUMOR OF STEYN'S SUICIDE.

Ex-f. dent of Free State Reported to Have Killed Himself.

LONDON, Aug. 11 .- The "Daily Telegram" grints a desputch from Lourenco Marques stating that it is rumored there that ex-President Steyn, of the Orange Free State, has committed suicide

His Attention Called to Deportation of Irish-Americans to Ceylon.

PROTEST TO THE PRESIDENT.

The commisssion decides to send the following letter on the subject to Presi-

dent McKinley:
"We respectfully ask your attention to "We respectfully ask your attention to the news from Colombo, Ceylon, that 233 prisoners of war, including twenty-two American citizens, captured in South Africa by the British forces operating against the Boers, have been sent to and have arrived at Ceylon, whose climate is notoriously fatal to white men.

"Such a course on the part of Great Britain is in violation of laws of war, which prescribe for prisoners of war such treatment while in the hands of the enemy as will not menace their health nor restrict their. Beerty more than is necessary to

further, that it be called upon to promptly release and empensate the American citi-zens so proses, outraged as such violation

A STORY FROM THE ARCTIC.

Indians Say They Saw Andree's Balloon in the Winter of 1898.

VICTORIA, b. C., Aug. 10.—The steamer Tees, which arrived today, brought a belated report of the sighting of a balloon, presumally that of the missing Andree and his companions, near the north of the Mackenzie River, in the winter of 1898. The news is given in a letter written by a miner at Fort Yukon to a friend at Scribed in letters received from the vari-Scrikirk. The letter was shown to Fred. Harrison these, who copied it and for-desire to push campaign work on definite warded its contents to Victoria. The let-

"Think you were right about what you said about Andree. A short time ago some Indians arrived here from the Mackenzie. and I learned from them that a balloon was seen to land near the mouth of that river during the winter before last. Some men landed from it and made a camp. They remained a short time, and then got into the car. They then threw something out, the natives said, on the ice, and the balloon rose into the air. It was soon out of sight. The natives were afraid and did

or right, the carrie, were arranged and not visit the carrie, "The natives who came here from Fort Yukon did not see the balloon themselves, but were told of its coming by people livog to the northward of them. I could no find out anything about the men at all."

Mr. Harrison, who is bound to Dawson, says in his letter that he will make every endeavor to ascertain the fruth of the story of the Indians, and if possible learn more. It is considered not at all impos-sible here that the Indians may have given out this report in the hope of getting a reward, for a short time ago notices were sent to all the northern trading posts and freely choulated in the Northwest from Lynn Canal to the Arctic, in which a reward was offered by the Swedish Govern nt for any information of the lost ex-

ploring party. In these notices, which will have reached the northern settlements months ago, the

balloon is described and pictured, and the offer of money for information is made. ACTIVITY OF ANARCHISTS.

A Dynamite Cartridge Exploded Un

der a Car at Flume. FIUME, Aug. 10 .- A dynamite cartridge exploded under a car of the electric rail-

way resterday.

The police believe that the cartridge was placed on the track by Anarchists as a protest against the mournin stration here for King Humbert.

ASSASSIN BRESCI TALKS Says He Had No Fellow Conspira-

LONDON, Aug. 11.—The Rome corres-pondent of the "Daily Mall" says that Bresci, King Humbert's assassin, acknowledges that he left the United States on

The correspondent adds that this story is evidently told with the view to sheltering Brescl's associates. \$17.00 To Chicago and Return Via

Account G. A. R. Encampment. Tickets good geing August 25, 20, and 27, returning until site, except by deposit at Chicago and free of 50 cents they may be extended to September 20. Choice of several routes. Solid trains without change through historic ground. Apply at B. & O. offices for further information.

"Lumber is down" at the Friendly We never were as high as others. F. Lib-

PRICE ONE CENT.

Bryan, Stevenson, and Towne Meet Party Managers.

The Democratic Nominee for President Will Not Repeat His Historia Tour of Four Years Ago, But Will Probably Make a Large Number of Speeches-New York Wants Him.

CHICAGO, Aug. 10.-Mr. Bryan spent the day at the Auditorium. Charles A. Towns arrived in the morning and paid his respects to the standard bearer of the Democratic party. Mr. Stevenson, too, is

in the city. Mr. Bryan will stay in Chicago for a few days, perhaps a week, and during that

didate for Vice President to succeed Charles A. Towne, resigned.

The Executive Committee decided that it did not have authority to fill the vacancy on the ticket and so called a meeting of the full committee. The selection of General Stevenson is almost a foregone conclusion. It is stated on authority that two-thirds of the members of the Execu-

tive Committee favor Mr. Stevenson. In addition to reaching this decision in the Vice Presidential matter the Executive Committee officially decided upon Lincoln, Neb., as the place for the headquarters of the National Committee, and de-NEW YORK, Aug. 19.—The Executive cided to establish branch headquarters in Committee of the United Irish League of this city held a special neeting today to discuss the deportation of Boer prisoners captured by Lord Roberts, having learned that 233 of them, including twenty-two Irish-Americans, had been sent to the Island of Ceylon.

The commission decides to send the Charge of headquarters here.

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FOR A THIRD TICKET. Arrangements for the Conventions

as will not menace their health nor restrict their liberty more than is necessary to restrain them from again joining their own forces and resuming hostility to the captors, and is in most unfavorable contrast to the Christian kindliness and care extended by the Boers to those whom the captended by the Boers to those whom the fortune of war has placed within their hands. * *

"We therefore respectfully request inc."

Gold Democrats and Anti-McKinley Republicans in Line.

NEW YORK, Aug. 10.-Chairman James K. McGuire, of the Executive Committee, will not reach town until Monday. He is kept up the State by several political engagements. From reports received from the various county chairmen, a big attendence is indicated for their meeting. which will follow that of the State cor mittee at Saratoga next Thursday, Bright prospects for Democratic success are described in letters received from the vari-

and systematic lines. Thomas E. Carmudy, of Penn Van. will address a big open air Democratic mass meeting to be held in Queens Borough the afternoon of August 18. This meeting will probably open the speaking campaign in Queens. Col. George H. Lodevick, of Rensselaer, who opposed Bryan in 1896, de-clares that the Gold Democrats of Rena-selaer County are sulidly in line with him for Bryan and Stevenson this year, and that many are weeking hard for the ticket The report comes from one of the southern tier counties of a revolt of Republican civil war voterans against McKinley and his policy. One writer declares that twenty

Republican G. A. R. men of his acquait ance are openly denouncing McKinley. ROOSEVELT'S STUMPING TOUR

A Tentative Campaign Itinerary Submitted to Mr. Hanna.

NEW YORK, Aug. 10 .- Secretary Youngs ubmitted to Senator Hanna today a tentative campaign itinerary for Governor Rocsevelt It provides for a stumping tour, to last

orty-three days, during which Governor

Rooseveit will speak in Illinois, Michigan, Wisconsin, North Dakota, Montana, Idaho, Wyoming, Utah, Colorado, Kansa, Nebraska, Missouri, Kentucky, Indiana, Ohio, and West Virginia

The trip would begin in the first week
in September, and if this litherary were
accepted the Governor would expect to return to New York State by October 5 and

devote the rest of the time until election day to speech-making under the direction of the State committee. Will Work Independently for Bryan. INDIANAPOLIS, Aug. 10.-The Silver Republicans and Populists of Indiana who support Bryan have decided to conduct a separate campaign, and will soon organize

a bureau here and work independently for the Democratic national ticket. Texas Democrats Adjourn.

DALLAS, Tex., Aug. 10.-The Democratic State Convention finished its labors and adjourned sine die at 3 o'clock today. edges that he left the United States on a The ticket nominated is headed by Joseph mission which was the outcome of a plot H. Sayers, of Bastrop County, for Govern-hatched in Paierson. He claims that no one in Italy km anything about the plot.

was named for Lieutenaut Governor.

> Ocean Steamship Movements. NEW YORK, Aug. 10 .- Arrived: Augusta. Victoria, Hamburg. Arrived out: Kaiser Frederica New York, at Cherbourg; Hudson, at Colon.

> Parachute Jump. Chesapeake Beach. \$1.25 To Baltimore and Re- \$1.25 turn Via Pennsylvania Railroad.

Tickets on sale Saturday and Sunday, August 13 and 12, good to return until Nembay, August 13, All trains except Congressional Limited. Rand Concerts at Chesapenke Beach Buyers of the finest White Pine Lum-

ber to be found will see choicest stock at 6th and N. Y. ave.